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BOIL WATER ORDERS FOR WATER SYSTEMS

Residents using Small Water Systems Notified of Safety Concern

The San Diego County Department of Environmental Health (DEH) has rescinded the boil water/bottled water orders for Cuyamaca Water District, Barrett Lakes Mobile Home Park and Hunt Water System. Sample results indicate the water is safe to drink.

A new boil water order has been issued for Featherstone Canyon Christian Camp as a result of fire damage.

Previously issued boil water orders are still in effect for residents belonging to the North Peak Mutual Water Company and Little Acres Mobile Home Park, as a result of damage to infrastructure or loss of power from the fires. Residents should use bottled water or boiled tap water for drinking and cooking purposes as a safety precaution until further notice. Bottled Water/Boil Water Orders will be in effect until the water purveyor demonstrates that the system is capable of providing potable water to its customers. Water should boil for at least one minute and be allowed to cool before using.

An alternative method of purification for residents that do not have gas or electricity available is to use unscented, non-additive bleach. To do so, add eight drops (1/4 teaspoon) of bleach per gallon of clear water or 16 drops (1/2 teaspoon) per gallon of cloudy water, mix thoroughly and allow to stand 30 minutes before using. A chlorine-like taste and odor are normal and an indication that adequate disinfection has taken place. Water purification tablets are another option-follow manufacturer's instructions.

For more information, the public can contact DEH at (858) 694-3718, Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm or they may contact their small water system purveyor.

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